

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
Special Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2011**

Opening

The joint special meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 a.m. by Mayor Paris and RDC President Larry Koenes.

Roll Call

Members of the Board of Works and Public Safety: The roll was called and Mayor Fred Paris, Dan Murray, Joe Ault were present.

Also in attendance: Robert H. Schafstall, Legal Counsel, and Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander; as well as members of the Redevelopment Commission: Larry Koenes, B.J. Deppe, Ted Grossnickle, Bob Heuchan, and Trent McWilliams were present. Danny Vaught, Franklin Community School Corporation Representative was absent.

Old Business

Legal Counsel explained that he is proposing that the resolutions and transfer agreement from the meeting on October 20, 2011 be repealed and new resolutions and transfer agreement be considered.

Repeal of BOW Resolution 11-02: Approving a Real Estate Transfer from the City of Franklin, Indiana to the Redevelopment Commission

Mayor Paris, seconded by Mr. Ault, made a motion to repeal BOW Resolution 11-02 and the Transfer Agreement. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried 3-0.

Repeal of RDC Resolution 11-16: Approving a Real Estate Transfer from the City of Franklin, Indiana to the Redevelopment Commission

Mr. Deppe, seconded by Mr. Grossnickle made a motion to repeal RDC Resolution 11-16 and the Transfer Agreement. The motion carried.

Repeal of Transfer Agreement

The Transfer Agreement was repealed in the above motions.

New Business

BOW Resolution 11-03: Approving a Real Estate Transfer from the City of Franklin, Indiana to the Redevelopment Commission

Mayor Paris, seconded by Mr. Murray, made a motion to approve BOW Resolution 11-03 and Real Estate Transfer Agreement. Discussion held. Mr. Ault offered comments regarding the Oren Wright property and requested that this property remain within City

control until the referendum was passed. The RDC agreed that the property would not be transferred to the Library until the referendum was passed.

RDC Resolution 11-19: Approving a Real Estate Transfer from the City of Franklin, Indiana to the Redevelopment Commission

Mr. Deppe, seconded by Mr. Grossnickle, made a motion to approve RDC Resolution 11-19 and Real Estate Transfer Agreement.

A discussion was held. Council member Steve Barnett appeared before the Board and Commission to explain the recommendations of the Common Council. He reiterated that the recommendations included the opportunity to work with private investors prior to transferring the properties to the FDC to take advantage of various programs that are available through that agency. If private developers have not come forward in six (6) months then the RDC should move forward with what they see as the best fit for that building. All of this is in exchange for the \$400,000 shortfall on the N. Main Street project. Mr. Barnett then reiterated the Council recommendations for the Oren Wright property. The recommendation included that the Oren Wright property be donated to the library board on two (2) conditions: 1. To replace the 97 parking places that are set aside for the county, and 2. That it goes to the May ballot for referendum and passes. If it fails in the referendum we can re-visit at that time with the City Council and the RDC. Mr. Barnett then reiterated the Council recommendation for Old City Hall, the former Franklin Post Office, which included the removal of Old City Hall Building from the property exchange, to allow the building to be listed on the Historical List. Then, when that is done, revisit the options with the City Council and the RDC.

Mayor Paris requested a vote on the motion to approve BOW Resolution 11-03 and Transfer Agreement. A voice vote was taken. Mayor Paris and Mr. Murray voted Aye and Mr. Ault voted Nay. The motion carried.

RDC President requested a vote on the motion to approve RDC Resolution 11-19 and the Real Estate Transfer Agreement. Mr. McWilliams made a comment that the Council recommendations were made to the BOW, not directly to the RDC, which in turn recommended that the properties be transferred. The motion carried 4-1. Mr. Heuchan voted Nay.

Real Estate Transfer Agreement

The transfer agreement was approved and signed by the above motions.

Adjournment:

A motion was offered to adjourn the special RDC meeting. The RDC and BOW joint special meeting was adjourned at 7:45 a.m. The next regular RDC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 15, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. The Special BOW meeting continued. Mayor Paris resumed the Special BOW meeting.

Old Business

2011 South Street Paving Project: discussion and approval of project, including request for quotes

Mayor Paris opened discussions regarding the 2011 Paving Project. Todd Wilkerson, Project Supervisor, and Trent Newport, City Engineer, appeared before the Board to provide an overview of the project. Trent explained that at least three (3) quotes will be obtained, and the bid packet has been prepared. It was explained that the work would include South Street to Main Street. Mayor Paris, seconded by Mr. Ault, made a motion to approve the 2011 paving project and to obtain quotes. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the special BOW meeting. The BOW special meeting was adjourned at 8:00 a.m. The next regular BOW Meeting: Monday, November 7, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet P. Alexander
Clerk Treasurer

Enrolled: 11/04/2011

Approved by the Board of Works: